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**DRAFT Minutes of the
Shannon Road/El Camino del Cerro Water Quality Assurance Revolving Fund (WQARF)
Community Advisory Board (CAB) Meeting – 26th Meeting**

September 13, 2006, 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Nanini Library, Large Meeting Room
7300 N. Shannon Road, Tucson, Arizona

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CAB Members Present: Randy Abbey, Suzy Bjerke, Gary Burchard, Marty Drozdoff, Marc Herman, Terri Hutts, Bob Ornelas, Al Pesqueira, Ellie Towne

CAB Members Absent: Gary Pitman

ADEQ Staff Present: Sherri Zendri, Project Manager; Melissa Hayes, Community Involvement Coordinator

Members of the Public Present: Jeff Drumm, Wally Wilson, Glenna Rader, John Doncsecz

The meeting began at 6:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order/Introductions

Al Pesqueira, CAB co-chair, welcomed members and conducted introductions.

2. Approval of Minutes for 6/14/06 CAB Meeting

Suzy Bjerke motioned to approve the minutes; Ellie Towne seconded. All CAB members were in favor; none were opposed.

3. Site Investigation Update/Q&A

Sherri Zendri reviewed recent site work at the former Wrecksperts property and displayed a map showing the property and historic impoundments that were part of the waste oil treatment process that took place on the property. She said that ADEQ did a passive soil gas survey on the property at the end of June to identify any “hot spots” of volatile organic compound contamination in the surface soil, to give an idea where to focus for a deeper investigation. She reviewed the passive soil gas process. She showed the results where one hot spot for tetrachloroethene (PCE) corresponded with a former surface impoundment on the property. There were detections of TCE where former oil trenches used to be. Results for polyaromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) also coincided with the former surface impoundment, and somewhat coincided with results of passive soil gas testing on the Western Trailer Park property to the north several years before.

She explained where three soil borings will be drilled at a depth of approximately 100-130 feet in the first two weeks of October, along with several new groundwater monitor wells in the vicinity of the property. She said that the borings could also be used for vapor sampling, and the wells should help define what groundwater is doing as it moves across the site.

She said that most of the effort at this site for this fiscal year will be the Wrecksperts property work. ADEQ plans to conduct surface soil sampling in the northeastern corner of the property, where there have been issues of lead contamination. ADEQ is planning to do a soil removal in January in the northeast corner of the former Wrecksperts property/southeast corner of the Western Trailer Park property, to remove an area of lead-contaminated soil.

She then showed the sampling results for the W-39 and W-40 wells, which were collected while the wells were being installed. Detections of PCE were found in the W-39 well, which was not expected. ADEQ may install another monitor well near the W-39 well in the next fiscal year. A regular groundwater sample will be collected from the wells in October, which will give more data and a better picture of the current status of contamination in the area.

She said that the soil vapor extraction system is running at the E.C. Winter property, as is the remedial system at the Metro Water South Shannon well.

4. Overview of WQARF Sites in Arizona

Sherri Zendri then showed a map of the WQARF Sites in the Tucson area. She said that there are 35 WQARF sites in Arizona, 7 in Pima County. CAB members were given a copy of the annual WQARF Registry list. Suzy Bjerke asked if there is a CAB associated with every site. Sherri Zendri explained that a few WQARF Sites fall under "old WQARF," before the WQARF statutes were revised in 1996. She said that those sites that had a remedial action plan already submitted to ADEQ by that date did not have to have a CAB or follow the mandated community involvement process. Melissa Hayes listed the CABs that have been established in Tucson, and Sherri Zendri mentioned that CABs for the 7th Street and Arizona Avenue WQARF Site in Tucson, and the 20th Street and Factor Avenue WQARF Site in Yuma may also be planned.

Sherri Zendri explained the sources of contamination at all Tucson WQARF sites, then reviewed the budget numbers for each site for fiscal year 2007. Gary Burchard said that he is glad that the state is done funding sites that don't affect many people and is funding those that do. Sherri Zendri said that the WQARF Program budget has been cut the last several years. The WQARF Program received a higher budget allocation from the state Legislature this year than last, bringing the budget back to the \$18 million per year that the program is supposed to be allocated each year from the Legislature.

Sherri Zendri then gave some quick statistics on the E.C. Winter soil vapor extraction (SVE) system. She said that the system was turned on in the end of June, shut down for a couple days, and now runs for twelve hours a day. Through August 31, the system operated for 650 hours, with 9,000,360 cubic feet of air being treated, and ½ pound of TCE and .14 pounds of PCE being removed.

She said that the Metro Water South Shannon well upgraded treatment system had operated for 150 hours until the end of August, treating 750 gallons of water per day. Metro Water has since expanded its service area for that well. She said that 6,184,000 gallons of water have been treated since the system

was brought back into operation, and 28 pounds of total volatile organic compounds (VOCs) have been removed.

She also mentioned that there is a section of ADEQ dedicated to the federal Superfund program, although the State is not the lead at these sites; the Environmental Protection Agency is the lead.

Melissa Hayes mentioned that there is information about all of the WQARF Sites on the ADEQ Web site, and directed the CAB to cards with the Web address. Wally Wilson offered information on a new GIS-based mapping system called Emaps that ADEQ has on its Web site.

5. Call to the Public

No one from the public wished to comment.

6. CAB Outreach/Membership Discussion

CAB members asked about the status of Chuck Black's application to the CAB. Melissa Hayes said that the application was tabled since Chuck Black said his work schedule prevented him from attending meetings at this point; the CAB would revisit his application if his work schedule changed.

7. Other Administrative Business

Melissa Hayes distributed a copy of a recent doorhanger that ADEQ distributed to neighborhoods that would be affected by site work. CAB members asked about the delivery of the doorhanger. Melissa Hayes said that the doorhangers are delivered door-to-door by hand, to ensure that each resident receives a copy.

8. Next Meeting Date/Agenda Discussion

The next CAB meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 7, 2007, at the Nanini Library, large meeting room, 7300 N. Shannon Rd., Tucson, from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Call Melissa Hayes, ADEQ Community Involvement Coordinator, for meeting details and proposed agenda.

The CAB discussed the agenda for the next meeting. Nominations/election of CAB co-chairs will take place again in January/February. Marty Drozdoff asked about cleaning up sites where the businesses are no longer there, and if there is any financial redress in those cases. Gary Burchard reminded the CAB of a past ADEQ presentation on the responsible party search and fund recovery. The CAB requested a refresher presentation on these issues at the next CAB meeting.

9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m. Terri Hutts motioned to adjourn; Ellie Towne seconded.

This meeting was recorded as a record of the proceedings. To listen to the recording, or for additional documents mentioned in these minutes, contact ADEQ's Southern Regional Office, Community Involvement Office, 520/628-6712.